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•	(0	Case No. 98,375-C)
In the Application of:		)
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		) Group Art Unit: 1648
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		) Examiner: Z. Lucas
Filed:	June 2, 1999	
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For: ME	ETHOD FOR STAINING BIOLOGICAL	)
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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In regard to the above-identified application:

- 1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
  - a. Petition for Three Month Extension of Time
  - b. Reply to the November 18, 2003 Official Action
  - c. Return receipt postcard
- 2. With respect to additional fees:
  - a. Attached is a check in the amount of \$950.00
- 3. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- 4. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR §1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper described in paragraph 1, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner of Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the 7th day of May, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert & Berghoff

Date: May 7, 2004

By:

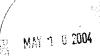
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